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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, MASS, JA
SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO SIGN DEFENSE PROCUREMENT AGREEMENTS

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1. MDAO IS NEGOTIATING WITH JDA DETAILS OF GOJ'S
ADDITIONAL LICENSED PRODUCTION OF F-4'S AND IMPROVED
HAWK AND SPARROW MISSILE SYSTEMS. AUTHORITY FOR MDAO
TO NEGOTIATE AND SIGN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR
THESE SYSTEMS WAS GRANTED BY SECDEF IN REFTEL (P/M
AND EA/J HAVE DRAFT MOU'S). HOWEVER, FONOFF DESIRES
TO EXCHANGE COVERING DIPLOMATIC NOTES, WHICH WILL BE
REFERENCED IN MOU'S AS EVIDENCE OF PRIOR GOVERNMENT-TO-
GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT. NOTES WOULD AGREE TO PROVIDE
MATERIALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH DETAILED ARRANGEMENTS IN
MOU (SEE TIAS 7529 FOR EXAMPLE). FONOFF POSITION IS
BASED ON GOJ NEED TO DEMONSTRATE POSITIVE CIVILIAN CONTROL
OVER DEFENSE PROCUREMENTS. THERE IS ALSO PRECEDENT
IN THAT DIPLOMATIC NOTES WERE EXCHANGED AT BEGINNING
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AND IN SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS TO EACH OF THESE PROJECTS
(TIAS 2957, 6664, 7529, AND 3585.)

2. WE CAN AGREE TO EXCHANGE NOTES, ALTHOUGH WE UNDERSTAND
CURRENT PROCEDURES IN MOST COUNTRIES IS TO SIGN ONLY
MOU'S. WHEREAS MDAO NOW HAS AUTHORITY TO SIGN MOU'S,
IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THIS AUTHORITY WOULD AUTOMATICALLY

APPLY TO EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN FONMIN AND AMBASSADOR.
WE ARE PREPARED TO PROCEED ON ASSUMPTION THAT IT IS, BUT
REQUEST IMMEDIATE INSTRUCTION IF THIS ASSUMPTION IS
INCORRECT. MOU'S ARE SCHEDULED TO BE EXCHANGED BEFORE
JULY FIRST IF AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED.
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